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Applicant: Brewer
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RESPONSE TO ELECTION REQUIREMENT **GROUP 3600**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed June 27, 2003, the Applicant offers the following remarks:

ELECTION

The Examiner issued an election requirement pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 121 requiring the Applicant to elect a single, disclosed group of claims for prosecution on the merits. Applicant respectfully traverses this election requirement as improper, but provisionally elects Group I in order to advance the prosecution of this case. The Examiner has also required the election of one of three species. Applicant respectfully traverses this election requirement as improper, but provisionally elects Species I in order to advance the prosecution of this case. Claims 1-5, 9, 10, and 11-14 of the elected claims 1-18 are readable on Species I.